

National Park Service  
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Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area  
Oneida, Tennessee

# Big South Fork NRRA Hunting Guide



**2004**

# Hunting Guide Information

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Welcome to Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area (NRRA). We are one of the few National Park Service units legislated for hunting. Since the National Park Service manages Big South Fork NRRA, some additional laws and regulations will apply. We hope you enjoy your hunting experience in Big South Fork and wish you good luck!

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## SEASONS

The seasons within the Big South Fork NRRA are the same as the statewide seasons. The exception to this is in Kentucky, the seasons may vary from the statewide seasons. These variances are listed in the wildlife management area section of the Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide under Big South Fork.

While hogs may be hunted during normal big game seasons, an extended season for hog hunting will run from January 21, 2004 to February 29, 2004 in both states. A National Park Service permit and a state Big Game License are required to hunt hogs during this season in Big South Fork NRRA. Permits are \$5.00 and may be purchased at park visitor centers or from numerous vendors adjacent to the park. For more information contact 606-376-5073 (KY) or 423-286-7275 (TN).

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## PERMIT VENDORS

### Kentucky Vendors

Fastway

Big M's Discount

Sheltowee Trace

One Stop Shell

Roger New Grocery

Hansford Grocery

### Tennessee Vendors

Big John's - Coopertown

Country Store

Rugby Commissary

Express Market & Deli

R & M Brooks & Son

Buckhorn's

Big John's - Oakgorve

Stop N Go Market

Willie Lee's General Store

T & S Grocery

Allardt Food Mart

Uncle Dale's Trading Post

### Location

Intersection of 1651 and 92W - Stearns

Hwy 27 - Whitley City

Past Cumberland Falls on Hwy 90

Hwy 27 and KY 700 - North Whitley City

KY 92 W - before crossing Yamacraw bridge

Two miles from Hwy 27 east on KY 1045

### Location

Hwy 297 - Oneida

Across from Wal-Mart on Hwy 27

Rugby Community on Hwy 52

Hwy 127 - North Jamestown

West of Rugby on Hwy 52

Hwy 297 Oneida

Hwy 27 Traffic light #4 - Oneida

Hwy 27 south of Hwy 52 - Elgin

Hwy 297 west of Big South Fork NRRA

Hwy 127 - south of Hwy 297

Hwy 52 and Hwy 296 - Allardt

Hwy 297 west of Oneida

### Phone No.

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606-376-8500

606-526-7238

606-376-9200

606-376-2579

606-376-5379

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423-569-9004

423-569-5010

423-628-5166

931-879-8132

423-628-2533

423-569-9452

423-569-6122

423-627-4100

931-879-6987

931-879-0895

931-879-8051

423-569-1544

# Regulations

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Except for the following listed regulations, the hunting regulations within the Big South Fork NRR are the same as the respective state. In other words, when hunting in Tennessee—follow Tennessee regulations; and when hunting in Kentucky—follow Kentucky regulations

**You must have the appropriate license for the state in which you are hunting.**

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## SAFETY ZONES

Hunting is permitted anywhere within the Big South Fork except for those areas designated as safety zones. These safety zones are located around developed areas.

Maps of these safety zones are found on the next two pages. These safety zone maps are also available as separate handouts and may be found at either park visitor center.

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## BAITING

The placement of salt, minerals, or food items or other bait to attract wildlife to a specific area is prohibited. (36 C.F.R. 2.2(b)(4)) This does not prohibit the use of cover scents, or attractant scents.

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## HUNTER ORANGE

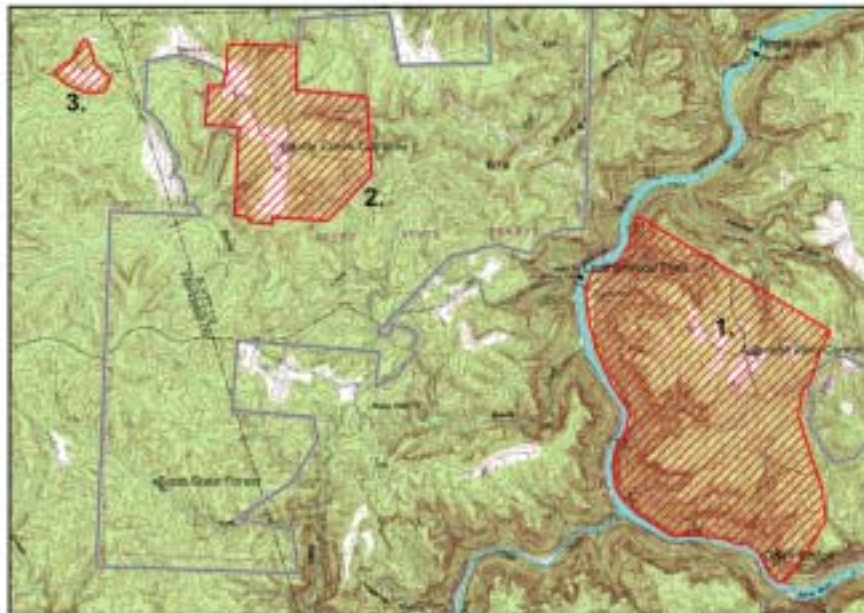
All hunters, including those hunting small game, and those accompanying hunters during any big game firearm season (except turkey) shall wear a minimum of 500 square inches of blaze orange on their head and upper body during day light hours. (36 C.F.R. 1.5(2))

# Safety Zones - Tennessee



Safety zones have been established around major public use areas. They are signed and marked with yellow bands on trees. **NO HUNTING** is permitted within these zones.

Zone boundaries are generalizations only and should not be substituted for actual location of marked area.



National Park Service  
Boundary  
Safety Zone

1. East Rim Area
2. Bandy Creek Area
3. Oscar Blevins Farm
4. Station Camp Horse Camp
5. Station Camp Crossing
6. Chant Creek
7. Burnt Mill Bridge
8. Brewster Bridge
9. Peters Bridge



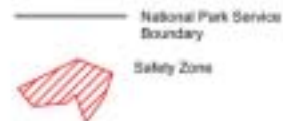


## Safety Zones - Kentucky

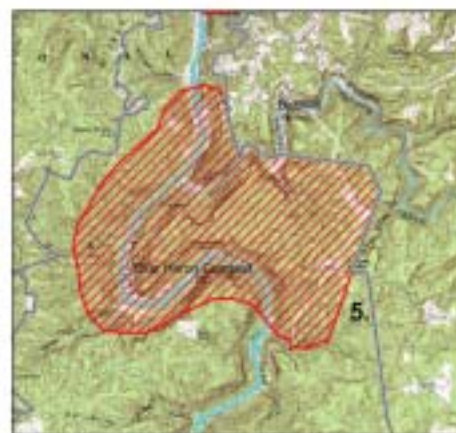


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1. Yahoo Falls Area
2. Alum Ford Campground and River Access
3. Yamacraw Bridge Area
4. Worley River Access
5. Blue Heron Area
6. Bear Creek Horse Camp



# Regulations

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## HORSES

Hunting from or possessing a loaded weapon upon a horse or other animal is prohibited within the park. (36 C.F.R. 2.4(b)) This does not prohibit you from using your horse to get to the area in which you wish to hunt as long as it is an area that is open to horse use. You must, however, dismount from your horse prior to loading your gun or beginning to hunt.

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## FIREARMS

You may not possess a loaded firearm in or on a motor vehicle. A firearm is considered loaded if there are rounds in the chamber or magazine, a muzzleloader is unloaded if there is no cap on the nipple or powder in the priming pan. (36 C.F.R. 2.4 (b)) You may not possess a loaded firearm in a boat or vessel except when that boat or vessel is being used as a shooting platform in accordance with State and Federal law. You may only load your firearm after the motor has been shut off and all forward motion due to that motor has stopped. (36 C.F.R. 2.4(b)) Firearms may be transported in or on a motor vehicle, boat or horse but they must be rendered temporarily inoperable, or packed, stored or cased in a manner that prevents their ready use. (36 C.F.R. 2.4 (a)(3)) This law can be satisfied several ways, a cased unloaded gun satisfies the requirements of this law. An unloaded gun with a trigger lock installed satisfies this law. An unloaded gun with the ammunition stored in a separate part of the vehicle satisfies this law. An unloaded gun laying in the passengers seat with the ammunition right beside it does not satisfy the requirements of this law.

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## DOGS

Dogs may not be used to hunt any big game animal within the Big South Fork NRRA. Dogs may be used to hunt small game, game birds, and those furbearers authorized by State Law. The practice known as trolling or tramping of raccoon and squirrel dogs and related activities are prohibited along the Leatherwood Ford Road, the Bandy Creek East and West Access Roads, the Blue Heron Road, East Rim Overlook Road, Yahoo Falls and Alum Ford Roads within the boundaries of the Big South Fork N.R.R.A. (36 C.F.R. 2.15(b))

# Regulations

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## FOOD STORAGE

Food storage regulations are strictly enforced throughout the park. In developed areas campers must have all food storage containers and/or coolers placed inside a vehicle when not attended. Wipe off picnic tables, grills and discard aluminum foil used for cooking. Avoid burning garbage in fire rings, as this leaves behind grease and food scraps.

If you are backcountry camping with a vehicle or horse trailer nearby, place coolers, grills, cooking utensils, horse feed, any food not in use, and anything with food odors inside the locked compartment of a vehicle or trailer.

If backpacking, campers should hang backpacks, food packs and garbage from trees. Find two trees approximately 30 feet apart with limbs 15-20 feet tall. Throw a rope across the limbs, and allow enough slack to attach your packs. Once the packs are secured to the rope, pull tight and the pack should stabilize high enough to where animals cannot reach. Do not leave any food or food scraps behind, please leave a clean camp.

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## VEHICLES/ATV's

Vehicles and ATV's must stay on designated roads or trails. Motorized vehicles, including ATV's are not allowed in the gorge area of the park.

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## ROCKSHELTERS/ARCHES

This is a National Park Service area, therefore, cultural resources are protected from looting and digging. These types of offenses constitute a criminal offense and will be prosecuted.

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## TREE STANDS

Permanent treestands and "screw-in" treestand steps are prohibited.